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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-1053]

Information Collections Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

DATES: Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email PRA@fcc.gov and to Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information about the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 3060-1053.

Title: Captioned Telephone Declaratory Ruling; Two-Line Captioned Telephone Order; IP CTS Declaratory Ruling; and IP CTS Reform Order, CG Docket Nos. 13-24 and 03-123.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit entities.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 60,010 respondents; 180,012 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.25 hours (15 minutes) to 8 hours.

Frequency of Response: Annual, every five years, monthly, and ongoing reporting requirements;

Recordkeeping requirement; Third party disclosure requirement.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for the information collection requirements is found at Sec. 225 [47 U.S.C. 225] Telecommunications Services

for Hearing-Impaired Individuals; The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, (ADA), Pub. L. 101-336,

104 Stat. 327, 366-69, was enacted on July 26, 1990.

Total Annual Burden: 105,088 hours.

Total Annual Cost: None.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: An assurance of confidentiality is not offered because this information collection does not require the collection of personally identifiable information by the FCC from individuals.

Privacy Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: On August 1, 2003, the Commission released Telecommunication Relay Services and

Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CC Docket No. 98-67,

Declaratory Ruling, 68 FR 55898, September 28, 2003, clarifying that one-line captioned telephone voice

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carry over (VCO) service is a type of telecommunications relay service (TRS) and that eligible providers of such services are eligible to recover their costs from the Interstate TRS Fund (Fund) in accordance with section 225 of the Communications Act.

On July 19, 2005, the Commission released <u>Telecommunication Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech</u>

<u>Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities</u>, CC Docket No. 98-67 and CG Docket No. 03-123, Order, 70 FR 54294, September 14, 2005, clarifying that two-line captioned telephone VCO service, like one-line captioned telephone VCO service, is a type of TRS eligible for compensation from the Fund.

On January 11, 2007, the Commission released <u>Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities</u>, CG Docket No. 03-123, Declaratory Ruling, 72 FR 6960, February 14, 2007, granting a request for clarification that Internet Protocol (IP) captioned telephone relay service (IP CTS) is a type of TRS eligible for compensation from the Fund.

On August 26, 2013, the Commission issued Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone

Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with

Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket Nos. 13-24 and 03-123, Report and Order, 78 FR 53684,

August 30, 2013, to regulate practices relating to the marketing of IP CTS, impose certain requirements

for the provision of this service, and mandate registration and certification of IP CTS users.

This notice and request for comments pertains to the extension of the currently approved information

collection requirements for one-line and two-line captioned telephone service (CTS) and Internet Protocol

captioned telephone service (IP CTS) rules and update the estimates of existing burdens that were

included in the January 2015 Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) submission to the Office of Management

and Budget (OMB).

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Office of the Secretary.

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